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According to the latest news from the North work has now fairly been begun upon the Tientsin to Pukou Railway, for which, by the way, the original concession, that granted to the subsequently extinguished Yungr Wing Syndicate, was given as long ago as the year 1897. The agreement under which the line is actually being constructed with capital supplied jointly by British and German financiers was signed on February 13 of the present year and the first sod was cut early in the past summer. But since that ceremony was performed the information that has cozed out in somewhat meagre driblets, has not been very satisfactory. Some parade was made of the sending of a commission to various Chinese metal works to ascertain how far they would be capable of supplying the requisite materials. A little later, we were told of the institution of a telegraph and telephone school at Tientsin where Chinese operators were to be trained for future duties along the railway, when it should be completed. It seems unfeeling to suggest that the line should be, after all, the principal object of care, and that telegraph operators might safely be teft: to a later date. During the past autumn the discovery was made that whereas a formidable list of managers, auperintendents and deputy assistants. had been retained, the majority of them were practically without any amployment worth the name. Much time, also, had been wasted in wrestling with the claims of those who possessed ancestral burying grounds along the proposed route of the railway. Now, however, from Ts'angchow, two days' journey southward of Tientsin, come decidedly more hopeful accounts. Gangs of coolies are reported to have been at work for the past six or seven weeks, and the embankment on which the line will run is completed for a distance of nearly eleven miles north and south of the city. The removal of graves appears to be giving more trouble than it did even in the case of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway. But the Governor of Ts'angchow, we are told, has shown that he can handle his knotty question with equal firmness and humanity, and the population of Ts'angchow is already optimistic as to the benefits which they begin to anticipate for their

THE TIENTSIN-PUROU RAILWAY

Meanwhile considerable interest attaches to the Imperial Decree, dealing with the financial position of the railway. The terms on which the necessary capital was supplied are generally familiar,: they are shaped in accordance with the now approved compromise whereby the Chinese Government has found it possible to reconcile the need of admitting foreign assistance with the desire to retain control in its own hands. Warnings have been hourd to the effect that, so far as the British contribution is concerned, the agreement for the Tientsin-Pukon line does not properly safeguard the shateholders' interests; and that by this doficiency China's credit may be seriously impaired in the future. But it is obviously too late to raise this objection now. On the other hand it is of vital importance that the harmony of purpose between provincials and Government, at which the latter particularly professed to sim, should be preserved; and it is hore, according to the decree, that the rift within the late

nowappears. The principle, we are there told, on which the construction of the railway was undertaken was that the ownership of the line should vernment and merchants of the four provinces through which the line would pass. Bonds Company at Kowloon, were to be issued to the extent of one half of the total capital and these it was expected would readily be taken up by the provincials. Unfortunately the latter appear to be shy of the scheme; they show " considerable besitation in taking interest in the construction of the said line." Considering that a period of ten years must elapse before the foreign capital can be repaid, and, consequently bas fore the railway will become entirely a native possession, it might be thought that the Government was prematurely anxious. But the records of railways under purely Chinese management are, with the one exception of the Kulgan lice none too good; and the urgent wording of the decree leaves it only to be supposed that there is far more behind the document than oppears on the face of it.

Two reasons suggest themselves for the reluctance of provincials to take up the offered bonds. The first is hinted at by the decree itself, namely, that the furcible acquisition by Government of the privately owned shares in the Chinese telegraph system has had a very bad eff.ct on the popular appetite for public undertakings. To meet this objection native capitalists are now informed, with the most moving urgency, that the bonds will be regarded as their own absolute property for so long as they please to hold them. The second probable reason, however, goes into deeper issues more difficult to be met. For some time we have witnessed a series of efforts on the Government's part to assett its authority over the provinces, and it is hardly probable that the provinces will submit without some effort at retaliation, If they suspect, as they probably do suspect, that joint ownership with Government means the loss to themselves of what might be called unofficial means of gain, what simpler course could they take than that of passive resistance. to the whole scheme, which will compel the Government either to find the greater part of the foreign loan itself, or to allow the provincials what they would consider a better investment for their money. If this surmise is core rect, the decree would not appear to have been very wisely contrived. There is no harm'in an official assurance that the bonds now offered for sale will be regarded as inviolable. But to allow it to appear that the Government is in any way anxious as to the money being forthcoming is to undermine the whole position of authority which it has been at so much pales to secure; and the immediate effect of the decree is to make what should be regarded as a gracious concession appear now as an appeal for popular assistance. If the provincials shrink from subscribing, the alternative is that the Government should boldly face the prospect of exclusive Versels, ownership; and with proper control economy. Versels, and the restriction of the burden of likin there houses, in no valid reason why the Tientsin Pakouline should not be remunerative enough to instify sach speculation -N. C. D. News

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the 29th December, or they will not be recog-All damaged packages will be examined on TUE DAY, the 29th December, at 3 P.M. . No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. NALIN, Acting Agent Hangkong, 21nd December, 1008.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1908. [110.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Goods not cleared by the 31st instant, at P.M., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me i

any case whatever. Damaged Packages must be left in th Godowns for examination by the Consigned

and the Company's representative at A appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within te 'days of the steamer's arrival here after which

due they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns. E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hengkong, 24th December, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Goods are landed. Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the atth inst, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me any case whatever.

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Ail claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns,

E. A. HEWETT, HORETSONE, BIST December, 1905

SUGAR IN TAPAN

EVASION OF CUSTOMS DUTY,

EXTRAORDINARY ACTION OF THE CUSTOMS

What appear to be authoritative particulars of the recent attempted evasion of Customs duty on sugar at Yokkaichi are now published. According to the Ocako Acahi, the British steamer Wongson, which arrived at Yokksichi on the 5th of November, brought 13,000 bags of Luzon sugar, the consigness being the Masudays, a Japanese firm in Nagoya. In the application made to the Yokkalchi Customs for an import permit, a clerk named Katagiri, of he Yokkaichi branch of the Masudaya, declared the whole quantity to be of No., quality. The amount of the shipment being unusually, large, the Customs authorities examined the sugar very closely, when it was found that no less than 4,212 bags of shipment consisted of No. 2 quality. discovery was communicated to the Yokohama and Kobe Customs authorities, and Mr. Hayano, an Assistant Appraiser, and other officers in the Osaka Customs proceeded to Yokkaichi in great haste in inquire into the matter. The Consignees, claimed that the attempt to bvade the duty was made on the sole responsibility of the clerk Katagiri, and that the manager and proprietors of the firm knew nothing of the false declaration. However, the Osaka Customs authorities, who have jurisdiction over Yokkaichi, refused to accept this specious plea, and pronounced the Masudaya guilty of the evasion of the Customs duty. Upder Article 75 of the Customs Law, the firm was ordered to pay the sum of Y3,838, being the difference between the duty on No. 1 and No. 2 quality, in addition to Y11,514, three times the amount of the duty attempted to be evaded -Y 15,352 in all: The money was paid to the Osaka Customs House to avoid further steps being taken. Furthermore, the 4,212 bags of sugar, estimated as being worth between Y20,000 and Y25,000, have been conficated and the sugar is to be disposed of by public auction.

.The Osaka journal further states that Mr Otsuki, Superintendent of the Osaka Customs House, is much concerned at the discovery of the attempted evasion of the duty at Yokkaichi He sent officers to the various bonded ware of some hundred thousand bags of sugar stored therein, when to his astonishment it was found that in most cases No. 2'quality had evidently bean passed as No. I quality. It was then realised that if steps were taken to prosecute, it was probable that a number of sugar importers, all Japanese, would be ruined by the fines imposed on them. The matter was considered of so important a nature that the question was submitted to the consideration of the Customs Council. Those importers of sugar against whom evidence of the false declaration. of quality was discovered by Customs authorities were much alarmed and appealed for the clemency of the authorities. Mr. O'suki Superintendent of the Osaka Customs, thereupon summoned sugar importers in Osaka and Kobo to his office and informed them of the result of the examination of the sugar stored in the bonded warehouses, which showed that almost every importer had been guilty of a gross violation of the law. However, the Superintendent of the Customs added that the whole matter had been considered and it had been decided that no legal action would be taken against the importers for their action in the past, but he warned them that after this no quarter would be given in such cases. The sugar importers, concludes our Osaka contemporary, were thereupon relieved of anxiety, and it is stated that they held a banquet to celebrate their remark-

The Herti quotes Mr. Nonaka, the head of the Customs Revenue Bureau, for the following statement, which was of course made before. the sattlement as reported above.

ance Department of the evision of the Customs duty at Yokkaichi, but such matters must be gia disappeared, and I found my health totally taken up by the department only on information laid by the Superintendent of the Customs House concerned. An official report may be a needle through it without much feeling after received shortly from the competent authorities. Sugar is classified into four qualities by the Sugar Tax Law. Crude sugar is classified as Nos. 1 and 2, and refined sugar as Nos. 3 fashion by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills took place and 4. The rate of Customs duty on No. I six years ago. Since then none of the quality is Y1.65 per 100 kin; on No. 2 quality | silments have seturned," it is Y2.75; on No. 3 quality Y1.15, and on No. 4 quality Y3.60; Distinctions are also made sporia. "From her girlhood my wife had been in the rate of excise between crude and very delicate. Her trouble was Angemia. refined sugar. The Customs House judges She had bad headaches and was subject to a the quality according to the colour on the weakening ailment which every woman will basis of the Dutch standard. The weather understand. After my own cure I thought makes a great difference in the colour of that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills would do ny sugar, and judgment varies according to wife good also, so I bought some for her. As the examiners. The examiners of sugar for a result she greatly improved in general health Consignees of Cargo by the above-named Customs purposes are chosen from among and appearance, put on much flesh, became those most experienced in the judgment of cheerful and bright, the headaches left her, the the quality. It would seem very easy to dis- improvement in her was altogether remarkable. tinguish the quality, as black sugar is defined am quite willing that you should make as No. 1 quality, brown as No. 2, whitey-brown public what I have said." as No. 3, and pure white as No. 4: As a mat-(7) Chronicle,

AN IRISH GIANT'S GHOST.

A TALL TALE FROM GALWAY.

An extraordinary affair occurred in Galway a few evenings ago, the Central News Dublin correspondent reports. It is said that two young men coming into Galway from Newcastle made a short cut by the railway line, and when opposite a place called Glanville observed coming towards them on the line a dark object, which they both agree in relating was of human form and about nine feet in height.

When the object came within a few yards of them, they state, it 'vanished, but they again saw it about forty yards further along the line. This time it passed on towards Lough Corrib and again disappeared. On coming into Galway the young men told the weird occurrence to their friends, and accordingly a party was organized to visit the place the following evening and "lay" the ghost. At eight o'clock the party started, armed with sticks, shot guns, and revolvers. Arriving at the spot they hid, and had not

long to wait, for straight in front of them the spectre suddenly appeared, whereupon one of the party raised his revolver, but he never fired the shot, as the weapon dropped from his band, which became powerless, and he fell in a swoon into the arms of his companions while the ghost vanished from view. General terror now prevailed, and the hunt

after the ghost was forgotten. The young man was conveyed into Galway, where he had to be medically attended, but it was some hours before he was brought back to consciousness. The occurrence only incited others to take up the hunt, and last night (Nov. 17) a large party started for the purpose of encountering the ghost, but although they remained hidden for several hours no ghost appeared.

A year ago several persons stated that they had seen a spectre near the scene of the present occurrence, which created a panic at the time. There is great terror in the district over is reappearance.

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"But that is not all," continued Mr. Wijey-

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People ter of fact, it is very difficult to distinguish No. have cured Paralysis, often in its severest 2 from No. 3. There is a wide difference in forms, because of their remarkable strengththe Customs duty between these qualities. If ening revitalising action on the Nervous No. 2 quality is passed for No.r. quality and System; they have cured Rheumatism in all No. 3 for No. 7, the amount of the duty evaded its stages, because Rheumatism is caused by will be enormous, as a sgar is imported in large a poisonous acid in the blood and they are quantities at a time. The Yokknichi Customs | the greatest blood medicine known to medical is a branch of the Ozaka Customs, and the science. Thousands of testimonials proved staff at Yokkaicoi is very small and so large a them to be the semedy for Ansemia (watery, quantity-over 10,000 bags at one time-being blood) Debility, Indigestion, Liver Complaint, imported into Yokkaichi astonished the ex Headache, Malaria, Beri-Beri, Ecrema, Boils aminers. The importers may baye chosen that and Skin Disorders, as well as for those port deliberately in order to evade the Customs special; ailments which trouble ladies between duty. In case of the rumours of this event being, youth and middle age. Obtainable at most substantiated by the report of the Osaka Cust shops where medicines are sold, also from the toms, the firm which has attempted the evasion Dr. Williams, Medicine Co. 8. B. Kinklang of duty will be severely punished .- Jopen Road, Shangbal, at \$1.50 mex per bottle of 6 bottles for Sel-men

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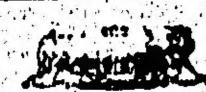
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On December 18, 1908, at Shanghai, ERNEST. ROCHFORT, 3rd son of Sir. William Roe and · Lady Hooper, of London, to GLADYS MAUD, and daughter of Capt. and Mrs. F. H Wallace, of Shanghai.

On December 2 ind, 1908, at Shanghai, by the Rev. Father Le Gail, S.J., JUDITH, youngest daughter of the late Richard Markwick, Chief Assistant I, M. Customs, to MARCOS De

DEATHS On December 18, 1908, at Tsingtau, MAX HOMANN, manager of the Deutsch-Asiatische

Bank, Tsingtau. On December 20, 1908, at Shanghai, RICH-ARD FRANCIS AAZELTON, aged 48 years: On December - 22nd, 1908, at Shanghal, ALEXANDER MACLEAN, Canadian Government frade Commissioner, aged 75 years.,

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Hongkong, Monday, December 28, 1908.

PHILIPPINE SUGAR.

Much space is given at the moment by Manila exchanges to the question of Philippine sugar. It is suggested from Washington that while no change in the duties on sugar is to be expected, there may be an agreement to admit free from the Philippines a strictly limited quantity of raw sugar. There would seem no reason why America should not admit free whatever the Philippines can produce. According to the San Stoon. Francisco Chronicle during the last fiscal year American imports of sugar of all kinds were 4,391,839,975 pounds, or 2,195,900 in the same year was but 656,627 tons. Both the American imports and production are steadily increasing year by year, as is also the per capita consumption and the population. If all the sugar which the Philippine can produce were admitted free and all shipped to the United States the only effect, it would have upon anybody would be the loosening of the. grip of the sugar trust on the sugar market. In the opinion of our contemporary on the Pacific coast, it is not likely that it would do the Philippine product. It would doubtless make the trust some bother, but as between the sugar trust and the Filipinos public sentiment would certainly be with the Filipinos. So long as America import from somewhere such shormous quantities of sugar, there is no season which will satisfy any impartial man why the United States should not get some ! Mises.

of it from the Philippines. The territory adapted to sugar culture in the Philippines is by no means unlimited. With every encouragement which free access to the home market could give it would be impossible for Philippine sugar to impair the profits of any domestic producer. And the importation of Philippines products is essential to the development of any commerce between the islands and America which would in any way compensate the U.S. people for the cost of their administration.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

FOR breaking into No. 7, Queen's Road East last night and stealing 8; cigars, a coolie was, in the Police Court, to-day, sentenced to three months' hard labour.

THE total output of the three mines of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd., for the week ending December 12 amounted to 30,789.06 tons and the sales during the period to 30,263.80 tons.

Til Shanghat Mercury understands that it has been decided to hold the meetings of the International Opium Conference, which is to meet in Shanghai on the 1st February next year, in the Banqueting Hall of the Palace Hotel.

On Saturday night members of the Victoria Gaol staff held their annual smoking concert in their mess toom in Wyndham Street. There was an unusually large attendance, and the programme was enjoyed by all.

THE Commissioners-General of Customs have sanctioned the petition of the woollen mill at Jihhui (colloquial: Zah-hui-kang) to remit the likin on the manufactures of the mill for three years. The same privilege will be given to the owners of the woolen mills in Hupeh.

THE police were informed this morning of burglary which was committed in the Robinson Piano Company's premises last night. The burglars gained admittance through a side window and stole about too Chinese records. valued at \$100. No arrests have been made

WE have received from the promoters of the Manila Carnival an artistic handbook giving particulars of the Carnival to be held from the and to the 9th February. We have also to second annual horse-show to be held in the

LO CHEUNG, who was some time ago told to leave the Colony, received a surprise this morning at the Police Court by being sentenced to six months hard labour. Lo's offence noner-was-obviously-grieved_to_discover_the his presence was not wanted in the Colony.

WORK on the Prince Regent's Palace with the Forbidden Precincts is to be begun on the 24th instant. His Highness has given strice orders that there are to be no attempts at extravagance in decorations, etc., his only desire being that the new Palace shall be strongly built and comfortable, and not constructed in a slipshod manner.

An Imperial Rescript has been issued commanding the Ministry of Posts and Communications to instruct the various postmasters to scrutinize all pipers, books and letters in Chinese coming from abroad, in order to prevent the entrance into the country of seditious liferature. All such are to be immediately destroyed as soon as discovered.

IT is reported that H. R. Yuan Shih-k'ai has been persuaded to think that the Constitutional Government of the Netherlands will best suit the conditions of China and instructions have therefore been sent to H. E. Lu Cheag-hsiang. the Chinese Minister at the Hague, to translate the Constitution and laws of Holland for the consideration of the Waiwupu.

RETURN of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 27th December, 1908, (excluding X'mas and Bank

Holiday):-Library. Museum, Non-Chinese..... 232

2,085

Total 365 2,183

CHAN Sut Mut; described as a married woman with no fixed place of abode in the Colony, was arraigned before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Police Court this morning charged, with the alleged theft of ten pearly valued at \$1,100 from 26, Staupton Street. Mr. C. E. H. Beavis (of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the defendant. The case was remanded till Tuesday, the 5th inst. Bail was allowed in the sum of

Two Chinese women were victimized in Queen's Road yesterday. One had her earring, attached to which was a jadestone drop, tons. The domestic product in addition snatched from her right ear, doing severe d image, while the other woman had her gold ear pick taken away from her hair. In each case the rascals were captured. The first offender was sentenced to a year's gaol and to

The other was given a term of six months. SACRIFICIAL 'worship is performed by the reigning Sovereign not only before the alters of deities of the Buddhistic Pantheon but also at the temple dedicated to all the Emperors of former dynasties. Upon the accession of a new Emperor not only is he expected to sacrifice at this temple, but also at the tombs of the that for a long time, for the trust would soon | Ming Emperors, the immediate predecessors manage to extend its tentacles to envelop of the present Manchu dynasty. The founder of the Ming dynasty, however, has his last resting place outside the South-gets of the city of Nanking, and in accordance with stiquette. Imperial sacrifices must also be offered at his tomb. We understand the Manchu Brigadier-General Shuang Fu bas been instructed by Poking to offer secrifices in the new Emperor's name before the tomb of the Founder of the

LADY LUGARD "AT HOMB." FUNCTION LARGELY ATTENDED.

The first "At Home" held by Lady Lugard. since her return to the Colony took place at Government House this afternoon. As usual the social function was in every way a complote success. It was very largely attended by a number of British and foreign residents and representative members of the Chinese community. Officers of the Italian croisers Puglia and Vernuto and of the German flagship Filrs Bismarck were also present,

> THE RECENT RIOTS. PEACE PRESERVATION ORDINANCE

> > SUSPENDED.

In a Government Gazette Extraordinary issued this forenoon, it is notified that, His Excellency the Governor teing satisfied that it is no longer necessary for the preservation of the public peace to continue in force the proclamation issued under the authority of The Peace Preservation Ordinance, 1885, which was published in the Government Gauette Extraordinary of November 3rd, 1908, has been pleased to direct that the said proclamation should be cancelled and the same is hereby cancelled.

CANTON DAY BY DAY. CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY!

[From Our Own Correspondent.] Canton, 26th December.

The Canton-Hankow Railway Company has received a telegram from the shareholders of the Company at Shanghai to the effect that they will send a representative to Cauton to audit the accounts of the Company, The Company has been requested to get the account books ready to be examined.

THE "FATSHAN" INCIDENT. A circular issued by the Canton Self-Govern ment Society convening a general meeting for the 25th instant in connection with the Falskan incident reads as follows; "With reference to the Fatshan incident, Viceroy H. E. Chang has communicated with the Portuguese Consul to open negotiations for the settlement of the case. The Viceroy loves our people as his own sons, and the result of the negotiations will no doubt be satisfactory. The steamer Fatshan is a British vessel, and the British Consul at Canton has therefore every acknowledge receipt of the list of events in the reason to be responsible in dealing with the case. Nothing but justice we are now fighting for, though we Chinese have not the jurisdiction over foreigners in China. At present, prior to the conclusion of the matter, we should remain quiet and await the result of the inquiry to be held; but in the meantime no agitation should be entertained." On the 25th instant was returning from banishment and the pri- the meeting was held and there was as usual large gathering. Nothing definite was passed at the meeting with the exception of some of the members of the society who made speeches

on the matter referred to: . CLAN FIGHT, On the zist instant, a clan fight of a very serious nature took place in the village of Pak Teng in the district of Sanui between the people of the class Wong and Wu. The fight lasted for several days and a number of were lost on both sides, besides a few hundreds of houses in the village being destroyed by fire; order has not yet been restored. The reason of the fight is not known.

GUNPOWDER SHUGGLING. On the morning of the 23rd instant, on the arrival of the steamer Kianglung from Macao, a passenger was arrested for being in possession of a quantity of gunpowder among his luggage. The smuggler has been sent to the Taotai of Constabulary to be dealt with.

OBTAINING MONEY UNDER FALSE

PRETENCES. A man named Chan Shiu Cho was sent to the Namhoi magistrate by the British Consul for obtaining money under false protences i the name of the agents of the China Light and Power Company. The delinquent has been sentenced to be exhibited in the stocks for ten days, on the expiration of which he will be sent back to his native district to be punished again by the local officials.

SACRED HEART COLLEGE. On the 16th day of this moon, H.E. Vicerov Chang Jen Chun will personally proceed to the Sacred Heart College to be present at the annual prize distribution.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

The total amount this year to be paid as salaries to the members of the staff of the Canton-Hankow Railway is over \$400,000 and recently complaints have been lodged with the Company through the medium of the Press against the increases.

A TOK to telegram, of 22nd inst., to the N. C. D. Nows, says :- The Diet was convened today. The situation is decidedly favourable to the Government. At a parliamentary barquet given this evening in honour of Marquis Nabeshims, Marquis Hosakawa and Viscount Kiyours, who have recently returned from China the latter stated that the friendship between China and Japan was steadily improving and was more cordial than was supposted abroad.

receive two whippings of twelve strokes each. ATHE American Journalists at present touring Western Canada express themselves as astonished at the progress of settlement of late. Kaisha; a torpade-beat destroyer for Siam : years, especially in the new country served by the Canadian Northern Railway, and at the Tokushima Prefecture: A steam furbine quality and extent of the crops harvested. At for a battleship building for the Imperial thisrate Canada, in their opinion, will very short- Navy is also being made at the Dockyard. At ly forge ahead of the United States, as the chief | the Company's branch works, tramcers, are source of supply of wheat for export from being constructed for the Hiogo and Hanshin the North American Continent. Even the electric lines, locomotives and bridges for the best wheat-raising States, the Dakotas and Imperial Railway Board, the framework of a Minnesota, are abandoning wheat as the main pior for Fosan, and pipes for the Osaka watercrop, and taking to mixed farming. Wheat works, The number of persons employed by must be raised somewhere, and the provinces the Company has steadily increased of late of Alberta and Saskatchewas will fill the bine With barely oco 2000 acres in Weslern Canada under cultivation, wheat supresents only about one in City acres of the grable land avelable. of the Dockyard as I had year complete plants; and Lamocke, same as No. 1. be the best of the world

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

On Friday, 25th, inst., H. E. the Governor and Lady Lugard ontertained H. H. The Maharaj Kumar of Sikkim, attended by Major O'Connor to dinner at Government House. Mrs. Noble and Miss Waters, who are on their way to Japan, are at present guests at Government House.

Yesterday Lady Lugard and House Party attended Divine Service at St. John's Cathedral.

To-morrow, the 29th inst. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Lugard are giving a dinner in honour of their Excellencies the Japanese Ambassador and Madame Kato.

The following guests have been invited :-Sir Francis and Lady Piggott, and Miss Oxley, the Hon. Mr. May, C.M.C., and Mrs. May, the Hon, Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, Admiral of the Fleat Sir James Brekine, R.CB., Lady" and Mrs. Etskine, Commodore, Mrs., and Miss Lyon, Captain Erskine, R.v., Captain Marquis L. Visconti, Captain Baron Meyern Hohenberg, H.E. Major-General Broadwood, C.n. Colonel Darling, R.R., Lt. Colonel Chamier, C.M G., and Mrs. Chamier, Car ain Heathcote, A.D.C., the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Victori i and Mrs. Lander, Mr. and Mrs. Funatsu, Comm. and Mrs. Volpicelli, Mr. Wilder and Mr. and Mrs. Scott.

> POREIGN UNIVERSITY IN JAPAN.

JESUIT FATHERS HAVE OBTAINED PERMIS-SION TO FOUND SCHOOL THERE.

As a result of the negotiations between the Holy See, through Cardinal Merry del Val, the papal secretary of state, and the Japanese government, the Jesuit Fathers are shortly to open a university in Japan, presumably in

The proposed university is one of the results of the diplomatic mission entrusted to Archbishop O'Connell, of Boston, as representative of the Vatican at Tokio some two years ago. -

At the request of the Pope the work is to be under the direction of the American Jesuit Fathers, but distinguished scientists and professors of the deff. acat countries will be called upon to compose the faculty. American, French and German Jesuits are already on their way to Tokio. The first president of the institution is to be the Very Reverend William Rockliff, formerly the Provincial of the Jesuits in the United States. He is to be immediately assisted in the work of organization by Father Dahlman, a well-known German scientist, and Father. Boucher, formerly of the staffat Zik-awei in China.

Through the good-offices-of-the-Japanesegovernment and the liberality, of a wealthy Japanese Catholic, a site for the new structure has already been donated; but as it has been To the people of the United Statesfound to be too far from the centres of education another site will have to be obtained.

ly of a university character, along the exacting lines of European and American institutions. of the same kind.

OPIUM CONFERENCE.

Ray, E. W. Thwing was one of the passengers drriving in Hongkong by the s.s. Asia from Manila. He has been appointed by the Governor of Hawaii to represent the Territory at the Shanghai Opium Conference, as Hawaii also has an opium problem to settle. A Honolulu paper speaks of Mr. Thwing's work as follows :--

The International Reform Bureau of Washington, D. C., has invited Rev. E. W. Thwing of Honolulu to represent that body at the Shanghai opium conference, as, its special secretary for China. He will secure leavs of absence from his work, at superintendent of Chinese missions in Hawaii, and go to China to aid in this great movement.

Mr. Thwing plans, the latter part of this year, to visit some of the largest cities of China, and address gatherings of Chinese, and find out the exact condition of the present opium reform

RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER: FERET.

The order for three ships of 5,100 tons and 15 knots speed, and two of 4.000 tons and 15 knots each, has gone to German builders at a total of Yen 3,510,000; one ship to be completed within ten months from date of contract; the other four within twelve months of the same date. The Japanese strove hard to capture the order, but their estimate was Yen 700,000 higher than the German; and the Germans agreed to certain clauses in the contract with which it was impossible for the Japanese to comply .- Japan Advertiser,

1HE KAWASAKI DOCKYARD.

The vice-president of the Kawasaki Dockyard Company, Kobe, is reported by the Osaki Jill to have said that there is no truth in the rumour that the Company's works will be purchased by the Government owing to the unfavourable condition of the business. At present there is plenty of work on hand in spite of the general financial and trade depression. The vessels under construction at the Dockyard or ordered include two of 8,600 tons each for the Nippon Yuson Kaisha; three for the Osaka Shosen and four dredgers for the Government and years and in every respect it may be regarded as a figurishing concern/ The Vice President also said that the Government was not in need The time will come when Western Canada will at Kare and Yokosoka, Lociodian facilities for THE DESCRIPTION OF DISTRICT PROPERTY OF THE PARTY SAME AS NO.

A NOTABLE CELEBRATION.

SS. "KWONG SANG'S" TOOTIL VOYAGE.

We notice that the well-known coaster, the Knong Sang, lying at the Hongkong and Kowloon's West Point Wharf, is gaily decorated. This is not only emblematical of the festive season, but because she is at present on her one-hundredth regular trip, from Shaughai and Swatow to Hongkong and Canton, during which time, she has never, to use a nautical. expression, broken a rope yarn. We congratulate the Indo-China S. N. Coy on her performance and wish success to the Kewong Sang and her genial commander, Capt. W. P.

> JUNK "WHANG HO." DISMANTLED AT THURSDAY IS.

The notorious Chinese junk Whang Ho, which left here in January for New York, and which was recently placed on the overdue list and thought by many to have gone to Davy Jones' locker, is at Thursday island in the South Pacific in a dism united condition, reports a San Francisco exchange, of 23rd ult. The British steamer Mount arriving at Victoria yesterday, reported that the junk had been picked up by a cutter and towed to Thursday, where she now lies a hulk.

Reinsurance was quoted on the freakish craft at a high rate, and many thought it an easy play "not to arrive," Details as to the :adventures of the Whong Ho and her crew were not contained in the dispatch received at the Merchants' Exchange yesterday.

The Wh ng Ho was brought out here two years ago from China and placed on exhibition as "a relic of old China," but as such did not realize the expectations of her managers, who later decided to take the craft around the Horn for the edification of sightseers at Coney Island,

Leaving here in January last the Chinese junk some months later, after many adventures found itself at Papeete, where the crew immediately deserted and returned here on the s'eamer Mariposa. Another crew was secured and the voyage to New York once more begun Since the Whing Bo left Tabiti several months ago nothing has been seen or heard of her until she was picked up by the cutter, as reported by the steamer Mound,

CHINA AND AMBRICA.

TANG SHAO-YI'S MESSIGE OF GREETING.

Following is a translation of the message of greeting from Tang Shao-yl, special ambassa. dor from the Chinese empire, to the people of the United States.

I am commanded by my sovereign to come to your country for the purpose of thanking The work of the institution is to be exclusive- your government-for-its-magnanimous actionin remitting a portion of the indemnity, with hopes that the relations between the two countries will become closer.

I have been greatly impressed to-day on my arrival with the business activity and rapid growth of San Francisco. This is a matter for congratulation. I avail myself of this occasion to send my personal greetings to the American

TANG SHAO-YI. Special ambassador to the United States. Sent by his Imperial Chinese Majesty."

ORIENTAL BURIAL CUSTOMS.

The ordinary coffin used in Smyrna is made of pine wood, for the reason that it practically is the only one is demand. It is very chesp and supplied by carpenters to coffin dealers, who in turn decorate it with covers of black and white cloth and adorn it otherwise with gold or silver trimmings. The price depends to a great extent upon the financial circumstances of the purchaser. Therefore, a coffin may sell for \$5 to \$25. Some dealers occasionally give a coffin free to some poor man out of charity. There are also coffins made of walnut and mahogany, but these are very expensive; the price being \$50 to \$75 each, even without covered cloth trimming, as the wood itself is beautiful enough in its simplicity.

There are about twelve coffin dealers, or establishments in Smyrna, two of which only rent coffins. This is a system generally practised among the native population of the Orient, which suits many people, for the reason that for a nominal sum of \$1.50 the burial expenses may be covered, the coffin being returned to the dealer. The practice, however. may often lead to the spreading of contagious diseases. The majority of the coffic dealers have also protested the renting of coffice, for: it spoils the trade generally, but the munici- for several months with an anourism of an hos pality has steadily refused to interfere. - Consular Report

THE WEATHER.

Director of the Hongkong Observatory !-On the 28th at 11.55 a .- The depression is moving away over the Pacific to the E.N.E. of the Bonins, and the barometer has risen considerably in S. Japan.

Pressure has increased slightly in S. China and given way moderately in N. China. Another depression is probably advancing towards Minchuria from the Westward. Prossuro is highest over the Yangtre Valley. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and strong monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea.

POLECAST. Hongkong and Neighbouthord, N.E. winds, freth to moderate fine

ut to m.m. to-day, c.oo inches.

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Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH! SERVICE.

CANTON-HANKOW RAIL WAY.

DIFFICULTIES OF LOAN SECURITY REMOVED.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 27th December. H.E. Yuan Shih-kai has removed the difficulties in respect of security which beset the raising of the loan (with the British and Chinese) Corporation) for the construction of the Hunan-Hupeh section of the Canton-Hankow Railway.

> KWANGSI DEFENCE. APPROPRIATIONS IN AID.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 27th December.

RUFUSED.

The Governor of Kwangsi has asked for authority to retain the instalment of the Boxer indemnity as appropriation in aid of local defence purposes.

The Board of Revenue has refused to grant the request.

PRINCE CHING'S SON.

HIGH APPOINTMENT PROPOSED. [By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 27th December. Grand Councillors Yuan Shih-kai and Chang Chih-tung have recommended that Prince Ching's son, Tsai Chun, should receive a high appointment.

The Prince Regent has acquiesced in the suggestion.

No objections have been raised tothe proposal by Prince-Ching him-

THE DALAI LAMA.

DEPARTURE FROM PEKING.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 27th December.

On the eve of his departure the Dalai Lama was in receipt of presents; from the Foreign Diplomatic Corps.

The Russian Minister made him a present of 20,000 (? taols);

Many statesmen saw the Buddhist Pontiff off; amongst others was the president of the Ministry of the

Lama did not wear a very pleasing countenance upon taking his diepar-THE LATE MR. W. H. CHUNTOT.

Interior, according to whom the Dalai

FORMER HONGKONG RESIDENT DIES IN

The Manila Cablenesse, of 25th inst. . says: The friends of Walter E. Chunyut, Assistant Chief Surveyor, Bureau of Lands, will learn with deep regret of his death, on December 23rd at San Juan de Dios Hospital, Manile, at the age of thirty-two years. He had been ill artery due to a strain, A trip to Hongkong to rest and visit his family doring Nevember seemed to do b m a great deal of good, but on December 19th a severe altack compelled him to go to the hospital where he received every The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, | care and a tention. No doubts of his ultimate. recovery were entertained until within a very

short time of his death, was a war and a same Mr. Chunyut was boro in Melbourne Australia, and came to the Philippines before the American occupation and worked with a commercial firm in lloile. Late in 1901 be was appointed a surveyor in the office of the Provincial Su ervisor in Hollo, where he remained until October, 1903, when he was transferred to the Moro Province as a junior engineer. In February, 1905, he gransferred to the Bones of Lands, as a surveyor, where he remained matil

Hongkong Rainfall for the 74 hours ending A His work was characterized by accuracy lealpest and stimiles to detail All persons with whom he came in contact, whether American, English, Spenish or Villpino. became his friends, The lesniar Govers sent has lost a most valuable terrapt and those who 1 - South coast of China between Hongkong knew him a pleasant and valued liferd and companion. His morner and several termines and miner Live by Alcong these was the party persons has refer

Telegrams.

[Reuter's.]

Student Riots in Paris.

LONDON, 25th December. There have been riots in Paris, by the medical students, who protest against the new examination rules.

The Republican Guards charged the rioters, and many were injured.

Cost of the Battleship Cruise. The cost of the cruise of the American battleships is £10,000,000, the coal alone costing £5,000,000.

Venezuela.

Venezuela has resumed friendly relations with Columbia.

President Castro, interviewed, said he would not hamper the new Government from settling the country's disagreements with foreign nations, even though it involved his own withdrawal from activity.

The Biots in Paris.

26th December.

Fifty-two police and Republican Guards were injured during the recent riots; fifty six of the rioters will be prosecuted.

Assault on President Fallieres While walking in the morning in Paris with his secretary and A. D. C., President Fallières was seized by the neck by a waiter named Mattis who tried to pull the President's beard.

Mattis was arrested:

He is supposed to be a Royalist. He grappled with the President and rolled him on the graund,

President Fallières, whose car was scratched and stick broken, proceeded with his walk and lunched with his usual appetite.

The Recent Riots in Paris. The unpopular medical examination has been withdrawn and M. Clemenceau has censured the chief of police for introducing prepared to buy; for her people, though police into the examination hall simulating thrifty, are not miserly, and will buy luxcandidates.

Russia.

The Duma has adopted a resolution warmly sympathising with the kindred. Slav peoples, and hoping that the Government will safeguard their interests.

> SUGAR IN JAPAN. REPEAL OF DUTY ON UNREVINED SUGAR URGED.

bids fair to become one of the important questions in the forthcoming session of the Diet, the Jiji Shimpo says that the operation of the sugar duly rebate law now in force will expire on March 31st, 1909, and much discussion is now going on as to the advisability or otherwise of continuing it in force. According to the provisions of the existing law in the event of refined or rock sugar being manufactured and contumed in the country from | due attention paid to another prime factor, in imported material below No. 8 Dutch stan- our well-being, the conservancy of the river, dard a rebate of Y145 per 100 kin is But at last that is being done, and in due allowed, while on qualities between Nos 8 and course we may hope to be so much the better 15 the sebate made is Y1.05. Further, if the off by reason of the work Mr. de Rijke is now sugar is exported the rate of rebate allowed is doing. At the same time, it must not be im Y1.6; and Y2.2; respectively. The repeal of agreed that in tackling it we are tackling a the law will greatly reflect the interests of sugar problem which can be begun and finished at manufacturers, and it is not therefore surprising any fixed date. That can only happen when that they should do their utmost to ensure its the river has ceased to run. Though skilled continuance. The present rebate is based on direction can do much to make a stream take the import duty on untified sugar, the or- care of its own course it cannot do everything. rangement being that in case of export the and, especially at the mouth, efficient scouring whole of the duty, and in case of domestic con- can be secured only at the cost of constant of rain all the night and practically every sumption about to per cent less than the duty, supervision. is to be returned. This complicated system of rebates is due to the desire of G vern- we have long had with us-efficient Municipal ment to afford protection by means of a management. The occasional periods of adtariff policy to manufacturers of refined verse criticism of our Councils have but marked. and numified sugar at the same time. All the rule of general satisfaction. It is a question. sugar below No. 15 Dutch standard is used whether or not we have now arrived at a time Peking Road as far as Sir 21 Road and then by exclusively as material for refined sugar, and if when a change would be for the benefit of the the Government was desirous of encouraging Council itself as well as for the community. It the sugar industry the importation of unrefined might well be nigued that a growth of five hun- he had a conversation, afterwards proceeding sugar should have been allowed duty free; dred and more per cent in population, revenue, by way of Mohawk Road into Frenchtown The existence of the import duty on the pro and expenditure might well call for some and to the Kashing-Hangchow Railway. Being duct, however, was suggested by the desire to modification in the method of government. protect Japanese manufacturers of unreficed. We have already suggested that the Com- the city by rail so late at night he returned to sugar against foreign competition. Properly munity shruld consider the question of an this side of the Settlement, only to be respeaking, continues the fift, the duty on enlargement of the Council and of the inclusion | captured. Yesterday morning he was brought refined sugar should also be increased to a in that enlargement of some Chinese Council- up to H.B.M.'s Consultte where it was excertain degree so as to compensate sugar manu- lois whom we could trust. For it is almost tacturers for the loss they are obliged to iccur ce tain that without some such concession by the use of materia's which are taxed. The there is little chance of our getting the exten-Government, however, is unable to do this owing sion which his now become so necessary as to the existence of the Conventional tariffs, another factor is our success. and W bas consequently been compelled to resort to the complicated system of rebates now in operation.

sugar against the Conventional tatiff stipu- Continue until every resident native and foreign lations, continues the Tokyo journal, the exist- is fully convinced that our prosperity depends ence of such a system of rebates is intvitable. On our perfect good-will the one to the other is It must be presumed that the cause of all what we earnestly desire. Then, if our sugthe trouble is to be sought in the existence | gestion is acted upon, if the Chinese Gaveraof an import tariff on unrefined sugar. If ment is willing to let us expand as our needs this were abolished the question would be require without haggling over every square easily solved, as there would be no neces- yard, then, with returning confidence, there mity of retaining the system of rebates now | should be such progress and such prosperity as in force. Some may think that the free we have sarely seen .- Shanghal Mercury. importation of unrefixed sugar would damage the Japanese industry, but the latter has now progressed to such a stage as to be able to hold its ground against the foreign product, 177 - Johns Christich

SHANGHAI PROSPERITY.

CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS. It is only in certain lines of business that, as

yer, we can say there has been a change for the better in the trade conditions of the settlement. Just as one sees outside the mouth of the Yangtez-, while still in sea water, lines and streaks of the silt bearing current which a little farther on is to occupy the whole area of the estuary, so is it now in the sea of depression through which we have been ploughing our weaty way for the past three years. We are not yet in the full current of success, but there are signs that we shall arrive there in time.

Meanwhile it will be worth the trouble to consider for a few moments what really are the fictors on which the presperity of the settle. ment depends. What is it that makes the difference between a period of depression such as we have been passing through and a time of buoyancy such as was seen in 1905 ?.. In a sense it may all be summed up in one word, Trade With trade Shanghai is happy; without it, miserable. In the rough that is true. But without some an alysis it does not help us much. Trade is made up of imports and exports: To be really healthy the one should balance the other-It is not to be expected that China can for ever buy without selling. The first thing, therefore, for the importer to think of outside his own particular sphere of action, is how he can aid in the increase of Chinese exports. Is it too much to hope that some day the pative teagrower may be induced to copy his Indian contemporary and prepue his tea in such a manver that the British, American, and Pussian markets may turo to him once more? Shanghai influence should be used unceasingly to this end, for certainly here we have one of the factors of our past prosperity, if not of the present. So with some other, staples we might

ment of all the natural resources of China Per mineral wealth is bardly touched as yet. To Shanghai it is a matter of secondary impottance whether this be done by pative or reign money. When it is done, China will be so much the richer, and so much the more uries when they, have the wherewithal. Western education, then, should be pushed as much as possible. It creates new tastes, it discloses new sources of wealth, and predispises those who benefit by it to a wider and more enlightened intercourse with the rest the world.

At the moment one of the main factors of our prosperity is quite beyond our control-We refer to a stable currency. China has no stable currency. Her new tael coins when on the market, if they ever get there, Referring to the rebite on sugar duty, which will be just as unteliable, just as subject to outrageous rise and fall as the Mexican dollar or the lump of sycee. It will not be possible for China to face the world with a coinage which will give the security which steady trade wants till she has a backing of gold, as India has. This is a matter on which we should never be silent till it has been settled

according to the highest and best principles. It may take time: it bas taken time to get

One factor in the success of the Settlement | thorough drenching.

we come to the necessity of a thoroughly good | discipline. understanding wi b our native fellow-residents So long as the Government sims to protect That such an understanding has been growing manufacturers of both refined and unrefined of late we are delighted to think that it may

NEW JAPANESE 10RPEDO.

Mr. Shigetaro Yamashita, an engineer in the suffering to them. which, though it may be admitted duty free, Nagaura Ordnance Depot, belonging to the ... It is charged that Captain Bull failed to this subject Mr. Maybon concludes his object of having their subsidies reduced or adding to is handicapped by freight and other burdens. Yoksouks Naval Station, has invented a new provide stalls for the animals in transit and Even supposing it were necessary to retain the style of torpedo which, according to the Jopin suitable means for tylog and securing them, import on unrefined sugar there would seem to | Times, will strike what It aims at beyond an | They were tied by their noses and the result be no necessity for effecting a rebate amount- island or promontery lying between the point was many of them reached Manila dead or ing to almost the whole of the daty on refined of discharge and the aim. It is so made as to dying and others in a mutilated condition. sugar intended for domestic consumption make a circuitous course after elriking an Altogulber, concludes the ///i, the rebote law lintervening, obstacle, when it will come no altorney yesterday, reports the Cableson requires a thorough sevision, an its interpretar amplication. The device has been bought by American of such instructed Bull was at tion at present means much loss to the count the Mayy Office, and the lowester will be given rested on a warrant issued by the court and at a decoration of the 7th Order.

AN EXCITING CHASE.

PAUL FLORE ELUDES HIS GAOLER.

The following report from the Shanghai Times, of grd iast, gives particulars of the escape of Paul Floer from police custody, recorded in our telegram of that date :- A rather sensational termination followed upon the completion of the arson trial in H. B., M.'s Supreme Court on Monday when Paul Floer was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, for before he could be safely lodged to Bis Majesty's gool Floer had eluded his gaoler and was at liberty. He was sentenced a few minutes before six o'clock, and was taken charge of by the Chief Gaoler, Mr. J. A. Chandler, whose duty it was to convey him to H. B. M.'s Gaol which is situated in Amoy Road. Here Floer was to undergo his imprisonment with hard labour for two years, in addition to the period of nine months to which he was sentenced last month on a charge of extertion. The night was exceedingand the gaoler procured a couple of rickshap for his own and the prisoner's conveyance. The two left the British Consular compound shortly after six o'clock, and went along the Youn-ming-youn Road for a short distance, before entering the rickshas. The prisoner took the first ricksha, the hood of which was up, his gaoler following in the other, close behind, At Peking Road they turned to the right, and from here the gaoler kept his eyes, upon the ricksha immediately in front of him, in which he understood Floor to be riding. But in this he proved to be mistaken, for on reaching the junction of Chekiang and Feking Roads the ricksha in question turned off in the opposite direction to the gapl, to the surprise of the gaoler. The latter's surprise became even greater when he jumped out of his ow ricksha and found the vehicle in front of him to be occupied by a Chinaman and not Similarly western influence should be brought | Floer, who by this time was missing. In to bear as much as possible in the develop- the circumstances the gaoler did the only thing possible for him to do, viz raise the alarm. This he did by communicating with the Central Police Station, and from there prompt orders were issued to all the other police et ations to turn out their men to intercept the escaped convict. The detectives responded with promptitude and instituted inquiries at all the shipping offices, searched every steamer leaving and about to leave, in fact did everything in their power to prevent the prisoner from leaving the Settlement. Floor, though a convict, was not attired in prison clothing; he wore a light check suit, brown shoes, soft brown hat and a blue overcont. His description was circulated to all policemen on duty, who kept a sharp look-out for the min all the night. To Constable Walls, of the mongkey Police Station, f. Il the credit of Floer's capture with in a few minutes of one o'clock yesterday, morning. The coastable himself had never seen Figer before and all the more credit i therefore due to him for his smart piece of work. Floer was proceeding in a rickshaalong the Hanbury Road from the Boone Road. and was first noticed by Constable Walls as he was passing the Hongkew Fire Station. The hood of the ricksha was up and his suspicions being aroused the constable ordered the coolie to stop. He then questioned Floer, who did not deny that he was the man wanted, and willingly accompanied his captor to the Hongkew Station where he was at once identified as Paul Floer. He was searched and in his post session the sum of \$12 was found - seven silver dollars in his pocket and a five-dollar bill concealed inside his hat. When he left the Court Floer is said to have had no money. In the meantime the detective force had been scouring the whole of the settlement for the missing man, while two of their number had journeyed by trolley to Woosung and there chartered a junk by which they yisited the various steamers. There was a continual downpour

detective who took part in the search got As to Floer's movements between the time of his escape and his re-capture the reports are somewhat contradictory, but it is probable that after getting clear of his gaoler he went along Carter Road to Bubbling Well Road. Here he appears to have met an acquaintance with whom unable to find a suitable means of exit from pected a charge would be laid against him in the police court, but after considerable delay he was handed over once a ain to the Chief Gapler who having put on the handcuffs escorted him back to the gaol where, after an investigation, Last of all, and perhaps as important no any, he will be dealt with for a breach of prison

ALLEGED CHUELTY TO CATTLE

CHARGES AGAINST STEAMER'S CAPTAIN, the and day of December steamed into Manila | satirize old Chinese customs, social and re-

Those charges were filed by the prosecuting doct mile Edec

THE REPOLT OF WOMAN IN CHINA.

The changes that are taking place in the Far East are amazing in their rapidity and completenese. This is proved by the testimony of many witnesses, as readers of the current news papers and periodicals may easily learn. The suddenness with which the Oriental mind rushes from one extreme to another and follows the light as soon as it appears is amply proved by the last fifty years history of Japan. But China is not to be left behind. Political, intellectual, and social life are undergoing metamorphosis. Peking has decreed a constitutional government and a house of representatives; the old educational system has been tevised by a Chinese Richelien. The exclusive study of the so-called "classics" has given place to a broader system in geography, physice, mathematics, and other branches of a Western curriculum are prominent. This is set forth at some length in a series of articles ly dark, with a heavy and incessant rain falling, published by Albert Maybon, in La Recue (Paris), in the number of which he shows how far reform has invaded Chinese social life and aroused the self-assertion of the tender sex. This writer records the remark "of many Orientalists" to the effect that :

"If under the breath of reform the family, which is the essential basis of society, falls to pieces, and modifies its present constitution, we shall then be able to predict the dawn of a new China."

Disintegration, repovation, he proceeds to show, have appeared in the family institution as it has fir centuries existed in the Middle Kingdom. During these centuries the daughter was a mere chattel, her feet were crippled and deformed by artificial means; she lived within the walls of the women's apartment, in carelessness and ignorance; she was married without being consulted as to her choice of a husband. In 1891, we read, Kang-yeou-wei, the leader of the social-reform movement, who has been styled "the modera Confucius," published, as the main principle of his teaching, "Now is

the time for a democrace in China wherein the masses take part in the government and the two sexes onjoy equal liberties," Thus he is looked upon as "the founder of Chinese feminism." This movement has since then become organized. An association to promote the preservation of "natural-feet" was first instituted by the wife and two daughters if the Vicercy Tone-Fang. But associations of much more radical character were soon multiplied, declares Mr. Maybon. To quote his

"Such association are day by day becoming. more numerous. Cftentimes, under the pretext of opposing the fashion of 'little feet,' they make it their object to effect a complète reform in the family relations. In a large number of places the young women no sooner found a club than they proclaim themselves 'girls who intend to follow their own will," They take an outh that they will choose their own husbands, and, if they think it necessary to their happiness, they will rebel against the orders of their parents."

These women also take a keen interest in politics, as we learn from the following state-

"The feminist propaganda is largely promoted by these associations of women, who now take part in political discussion and furnish a new impulse to political movements. For instance, it was the young women of the province of Che-Kiang who protested at their meetings against obtaining a loan from England to build as important railroad, and proved the sincerity of their words by their deeds, for they immediately invested \$100,000 in the stock of the Chinese company. It is thanks to such societies that the childless widow and the divorced wife are not abandoned, as heretolore, to a lot of misery. Such unfortunates are given new interests in life and furnished with positions in the government offices and in banks or hospitals. Those who are educated are sent to Japan to take up courses of study. If they are without resou ces they are provided for by their

essocia!es." Even the Government at Feking finds itself compelled to recognize the growing spirit of feminism. One imperial edict has made illegal the mutilation of the feet and another has made the education of girls compulsory In the words of this document, "The good education of the citizens of the Empire depends upon the good education of our women," And a little farther on we read, " Women as well as men ought to practise a profession. They aught not to pass their life in cating and gost iping without any serious employment,"

"There is little of the Asiatic in such terms as these," exclaims Mr. Maybon. It is also a remarkable sign of the times that Chinese women are growing beartily tired of the wearisome and grotesque legends, or the tales domestic tylanny and intrigue, which their native writers have hitherto supplied them with. They are now reading Jules Verne and Dafoe, and "Man Friday" is now as "popular with them as with Europeaus." Translations of books of travel, French and English, are eager-The complaints of the collector of customs of Bellamy is found in almost every Chinese Australia 425,000 N.Y.K. against the cruelty practised on certain cittle houdoir. During the present year two import. Adjacent Eastern Seas 530,000 ships in the business of transporting cattle from | ant works of romance by native authors have | Hakodate-Saghalien 150,000 the commencement of proceedings in the Marriage"; while the other is "The Stone of Hokkaido-Vladivostok 325,000 Court of First Instance against F. W. Bull, the Niu-Waw an apology which makes use of master of the steamship Standard which, on figures in Chinese mythology to ridicule and with 677 head of cattle without providing suit- ligious, and to promote (eminism. It is said to able means for securing such animals while in | be a mixtore of Swift and Rabelais in style, and transit, so as to avoid cruelty and unnecessary | is object is "to awaken the people and to set them on the way to a new order of things," On vation with the words

conditions from which it originated. Amid a l'new society in which the two sexes shall or joy equal rights, ! a new literature must arise !" Translation anade for The Literary Digest.

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TAPANESE SUBSIDIES.

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It appears to us very probable, our Yokohama contemporary observes, that, in the case of some of the above services; the Government will give the companies concerned the option their lines without any addition to the subsidies. The old literature is doomed with the social In both cases the companies would receive less in practice, for either their subvention would be cut down or they would have to work harder to para it. Of course, in addition to the above figures there are the sums paid by the Treasury for encouraging naviga los and shipbuiding. but as the laws providing for these payments have still some years to run shere is no present

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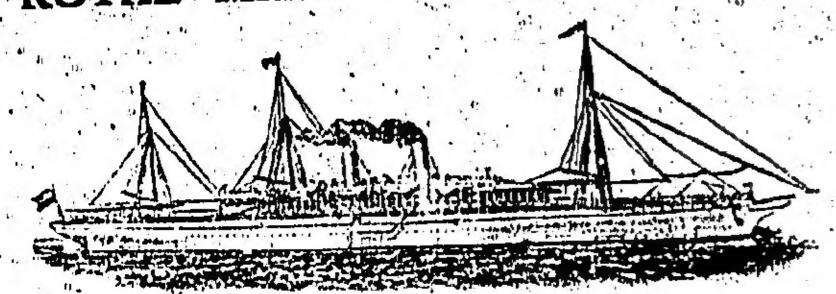
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Sucking Pigs, To Order-Chu Chal Mutton-Sang Young Yau Voal-Ngau Chal Yuk...... " Sausages-Ngau Chal Ynk Tong. "

POULTRY. Chicken-Kai Chai Capons, Large, Small-Sin Kal...... Ducki-Ap..... Doves-Pan Kaueach Eggs, Hen-Kal Tan.....per doz. Fowls, Canton-Kal Halnan-Hol Nam Kal Goess, Wild Shanghal-Sheung Hol Ye Ngopali \$1,50 Musk Deer-Wong Kengeach \$3.50

Pheasant-Shan Kal......pair St. Pigeons, Canton-Pak Kup each Holhow-Holhow Pak Kup "

Rice Birds-Wo Fa Cheukdozen Snipe-Sa Chul each Turkeys, Cock-Fo Kal Kung ... per & Hen- n Na ...

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Pomfret, Black-Hak Chong......

Pomfret, White-Pak Chong

Prawns - Ming Hammer

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Rock Fish-Sek Kan Kung

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FRUITS.

Snapper Lap Yu....... Soles-Tat Sa Yu......

Tench-Wan Yu

White Balt-Ngan Yu Chal

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Shark-Sa Yu

Skate-Po Ytt

Shrimps-Ha

Almond-Hung Yan Apples, (California)-Kam San Ping Ko........ (Chefoo) Tin Chun Ping. 1 Small-Hoi Tong........ Custard-Fan Lai Chi.....oach

Bananas, fragrant, Canton-Sang Shang Houng Chiu " (brides), Macao-San Henng Chiu Chestnuts, Chinese-Foong Lut..... w Carambola-Young Tou Cocoanuts-Yeh Tszasch Grapes-Sin Tai Tax Lemons, China-Ning Moong..... n Amer. - Kum San Ning Moong Lichees, Small Stone-Lai Chi Con.....

Fresh, Lai Chi (Saigon)-Sai Kung Ning Moongeach Mango, Manila-Lui Sung Mong...... Mango, Saigon-Sai Kung Moong Mangosteons, San Chuk Tax per 100

Small-Tai Kutcatty Mandarin-Tim Kut Passion Fruit each Pears, (American)-Kam San Shut Li B (Canton), Cooking-Sa Li

" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li Pennuis,-Fa Sang Persimmons, Large,—Hung Chie Pine-apples, 1st quality-Sheung Poon Ti Paw-laweach

and cooking-Chung-tang Paw-law Platsins-Tel Chiu Plums, Swatow-Hung Lai Pumelo, Slam-Chim Lo Yaueach Walnuts, Hop Tou Green -Sang Hop Tou

VEGETABLES, &C.

Artichokes, Shanghal,-Sheung Hoi Ah Chi Chauk Beans, (French) Macao-Oh Moon Pin Beans, (French), Shanghal-Sheung Hoi Pla Tau Beans, Sprout-Ah Chol.....

Beans, Long-Tau Kok Best Root-Hung Choi Tau..... each Brinjals, Green-Cheng Yuen Ker Brinjals, Rod-Hung Ker Brassica-Pak Choi. Bamboo Shoots-Chook Shun Cabbage, Chinese, com.-Kai Choy..... 28 Cabbage, Red-Kai Lan Taueach Cabbage; (Shanghai)-Yeb Choi " Cane Shoots, bunch-Kan Shun

Cauliflower, Large size-Tai Yeb Choi F1each Cauliflower, Medium size-Cheung Yeh Chol-faeach Canliflower, Small sizo-Sai Yeh Choi-fa . Carrots-Kam Shun

Celery, Ohlness-Tong Kan Choy

Celery, English-Yeung Kan Choi

Celery, White-Pak Young Kan Chuit. Chillies, Dried-Con Lat Chiu Red-Hung Fa , " " " Green-Cheng Lat Chiu Curry Stuff, English-Ka Lee Choi Liu Oncumbers-Cheng Kwa Bitter Squash-Fu Kwa

Garlie-Suen Tau..... Ginger, young-Sun Tax Keung old-Lo Koung Horse Radish, Shanghai-Lik Kan ... 3 Indian Corn-Suk Maipiece Lettuce-Yenny Sang Choiesch Water Chesnuts-Ma Tai n

Mandarin-Kwei Lum Ma Tai, Musk Melon Mushrooms, Fresh-Sang Cho Kho Onlone, Bombay-Young Chung Tau ... "Green-Sang Chung..... Shal-Sheung Hol Chung Tan

Japan-Yat Poon Okroes-Mo Ker Parsley, English-Young Un Sai B Gradus Pea Green Peas-Oheng Tau.....

Potatoes, Sweet-Fan Shu Shangbal-Shoung Hoi: Shu Tsal Japan-Yat Poon Shu Tsal American-Fa Ki Foochow-Fuk Chan Shu Tsal

Macao -Oh Moon Pumpkin-Toong Kwa Radish-Hung Lo Pak Tsal Richard Shelots-Con Chung Tau Spinage (Chinese)-Paw Ohol Spinach-Yla Chol 18 Tomatoes Fan Kermannin 24 Taros -Wa Tan

20 Turnips, Pos-ti (Long)-Low Pak English-Young Low Pak place Vegetable Marrow-Chit Kwa 16. Water Cresses Sal Yeung Chol Caltrops-Lan Kor. Lily Roots-Lin Ngan

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COMMERCIAL TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE. Selling. London-Bank T.T..... 1/8 Do. 4 months' sight1/8 11/16 America-Bank T.T. Do. demand129 Shangbal-Bank T.T.754 Singapore-Bank T.T. per H.K. \$10073} Duying. (months sight L/C......1/8 13/16 days sight San Francisco & New Vort 421 4 wonths slubt 30 lays' sight Sydney & Melbourne ... 1.9 1/16 SovereignT1.60 OPIUM QUOTATIONS. To-day's quotations are as follows :---Oldest@

SHIPPING AND MAILS

WAILS DUE

Indian (Cotherine Apc er) 29th inst. German (Prinz Eitel Friedrich) 30th inst, Canadian (Empress of Japin) 31st inst. French (Sydney).4th prox.

German (Prins Steitmund) 6th prox. The s.s. Zofiro left Manila on 26th inst., and

is due here on 28th inst., at 6 p.m. The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru, which sailed from Hongkong on 28th ult., arrived in San Francisco on 15th inst.

.The Imperial German Mail s.s. Buelow left | Shanghai on 26th inst., at midnight, and may be expected here on 29th inst., at daylight. The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of India atrived at Kobe at 9'a m., on 25th inst., and left

again at 1 p.m., same day, for Yokohama, where she is due to arrive at 2 p m., on 26th inst. The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of Japan arrived at Kobe at midnight, on 26th inst., and left again at 8 a.m., Sunday, via Nagasaki for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 4 a.m.,

on 30th inst. The Imperial German Mail s.s. Prine Ettel Friedrich carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 2nd inst., left Singapore on 25th inst., at 6 p.m., and may be expected. here on 30th inst., evening.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. Sydney with the French mail of the 6th inst., and mails from London of the 5th inst., left Singapore to-day, at 4 p.m., and may be expected to arrive here on 4th prox, morning, and will leave for Shaughai and Japan Os the same afternoon.

Arrivals,

Benvorlich, Br. s.s., 2,146, A. Webster, 26th Dec, -Singapore 18th Dec, Gen.-G., L. & Co.

Loongsang, Br. s.s., 1,090, S. J. Payne, 27th Dec.,-Manila 74th Dec., Gen.-J., M. &

Moyune, Br. s.s., 4,645, J. Milhench, 27th Dec.,. -Shanghai 24th Dec, Gen.-B. & S. Standis, Ger. s.s., 4,5c6, .W. v. Dobren, 27th Dec ,-Shanghai 24th Dec., Gen.-H. A.

Proteus, Nor. s.s., 1,0 14, C. Möller, 27th Dac., -Chinking 220d Dec., Rico.-Angaard, Thoresen & Co.

Landrat Scheiff, Ger. s.s., 1,600, A. Thoume, 27th Dec.,-Tsingtau 21st Dec., Coal.-S & Co. Shinano Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,960, K. Kawara, 27th

Dec,-Shanghai 24th Dec., Flour, &c.-N. Y. K. Haltan, Br. s.s., 1,183, J. S. Roach, 27th Dec., -Swatow 26th Dec, Gen.-D. L. & Co.

Helene, Ger, s.s., 771, J. Jessen, 26th Dec.,-O inhon via Tourane and Hoihow 25th Dec., Gen.-J. & Co.isia, Br. s.s.,-2,45 , Harry Gaukroger, 26th Dec ,-San Francisco 24th Nov., Honolulu Land Dec., Yokohama 14th, Kobe 15th

Nagasaki 17th, and Manila 26th, Mails and Gen.-O. & O. S. S. Co. wanglee, Ch. s s., 1,456, R. Lincoln, 27th

Dec. - Canton 29th Dec., Gen.-C. M. S

Dailin Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,560, I. Sakurai, 28th Dec,-Swatow 27th Dec., Gen.-O. S. R. Kwongsaog, Br. s.s., 1,428, P. Baker, 28th Dec. Shanghai 14th Dec. and Swatow. 27 h, Gen - J, M. & Co. Linko, Br. s.s., 1,350, C. G. Williams, 28th Dec.,

-Wuhn vin Chinkiang and Shanghai 24th Dec., Rice.-B. & S. Orange Branch, Br. s.s., 2,197, J. McClelland, 27th Dec - Sydney via Por s 17th Nov. Sleepers and Gen .- D. & Co., Ld.

28th Dec.,-Kobe 20th Dec., and Meji 220d, Gen .- N. Y. K. Helene Rickmers, Ger, s.s., Ostting, 28th

Dec.,-Moji 22nd Dac., Coal.-M. B. K. Histo Mart, Jap. s.s., 5,282, H. Frascr, 28th Dec. Yokohama ioth Dec., Rice, Fish-oil wand Gen,-N. Y. K.

Clearances at the Harbour Office. Landras Scholf, for Canton. Keeparsang, for Canton. Romer, for Canton.

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Case/a, for Singapore.

Artis Mark for Moll. Salasha Mara, for Nagasaki Meries, for Canton

Barperisch, for Nagataki,

Della Mary, for Swalow.

Departures

Haimun, for Swatow. Drufar, for Hongay. Gryfevale, for Newcastle.

Shibstoro Mars, for Anping. Shinshu Maru, for Nagasaki. Meeleo, for Canton, Hin Fung, for Shanghai. Artaks Marn, for Moji. Cheongshing, for Weihaiwei.

Passanders arrived.

Per Benvorlich, from Singapore-igt Chi Per Scandia, from Shanghai-Mrs. Feldmann and child.

Per Kwongsang, from Shanghai, &c .- Mr. Robert de Caix, and 48 Chinese. Per Hallan, from Swatow-Mr. P. C. Potts. Mr. and Mrs. Neslung, Mr. and Mrs. Holliday, Dr. C. H: Ludevigs and 3 children, and 231

Per Shinano Maru, from Shanghai-Miss E. M. Butts, Messrs. A. R. Hassau, A. E. Dowler, G. Yagi, Mrs. F. Yagi, 21 Chinese, 1 Hindoo,

Per Asia, from San Francisco, &c .- Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell, Miss Dorothy Camp. bell, Masters Kenneth Campbell, David Campbell, Messrs. Floyd R. Maynard, Floyd H. Sullivan, John M. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Peter B. Bronson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hillis, Misses A. Wallace, E. Redford, Mrs. J. B. Barker, Miss M. A. Barker, Mrs. C. Silent, Miss F Silent, Mrs. R. Douglass, Miss M. Douglass, Mrs. G. D. Tinsman, Messrs. John B. Bausom, Charles Whitworth, W. H. Magnees, Sydney Haywood, Miss Anna Townes, Mr and Mrs. R. W. Turner, Misses Bessien Turner, Sua Turner, Messre James Boyd, D. M. Boyd, Rev. E. W. Thwing, E. J. Stauch, Dr. and Mrs. H. Derwent Wright, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Fulton, Mrs. 1 Perer, de la Bala, Mossrs. D. J. Roong, L. Becker, Mrs. A. E. Lee, Messrs. T. Sano, Dan O'Connell, K. F. W. Roth, W. L. Ferguson, E. Mallous, E. Jalijail, Emiliano Boncon, J. C Lee, Mrs. T. B. Tolman and 2 children, Messrs. M. G. McLane, H. L. Clotworthy, T. S. Barbour, N. S. Case, J. L. Dearing, D. G. Moberly, Mrs. C. H. Muller, and Mrs. A. F. Fish.

Shipping Report,

Str. Moyune, from Shanghai :- Light N'ly and N.E. winds and fine clear weather. Str. Kwong Sang, from Shanghai and Swatow: -Light N'ly wind smooth sea fine and clear

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Bandai Mara, Jap. s.s., 2,000, Y. Miyasaki, 26th Dec .- Moji via Amoy 24th Dec , Coal .-A., K. & Co.

Borneo, Ger, s.s., 1,344, F. Sembill, 18th Dec., -Sandakan 12th Dec., Timber and Gen.-M. & Co.

Bujun Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,811, F. Fuseno, 20th Dec., -Swatow 19th Dec, Gen.-O. S. K. Choshun Maru, Jap. #.s., 1,3 3, T. Suruga, 26th Dec.,-Shanghai 20th Dec., Gen.-O. S.

Chowla, Ger. s.s., 1,055, H. C. Reher, 24th Dec. -- Swatow 23rd Dec., Rice .-- M. & Co. Cyclops, Br. s.s., 5,747, H. C. Harris, 26th | Canton a.m. 30.26 56 87 Dec, Liverpool via Ports and Manila 23rd | Hongkong ... | 10 s.m. | 30.22 63 57 Dac. Gen.-B. & S. Dakotah, Br. s.s., 2,593, Ross, 21st Dec.,-San Francisco 23rd Nov. Kerosine Oil .-

S. O. Co. Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,567, J. Jenkins, 17th Dec., -Saigon 12th Dec., Gen.-Man Fat & Co. Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, H. S. Malkins, 24th Dec.,-Hongay 22nd Dec., Coal.-J., M. &

Fri, Nor. s.s., 860, C. Wagle, 17th Nov., ... Aparri 6 a.m. 29.90 Thoresen & Co.

Hanyang, Br. s.s., 1,207, Trowbridge, 23rd Cebu Dec.,-Canton 22nd Dec., Gen.-B. & S. Hupeh, Br. s.s., 1,205, G. J. Spink, 25th Dec.,-Haiphong and Hoihow 23rd Dec., Rice,-

B. & S. Kashing, Br. s.s., 1,143, Pickard, 25th Dec.,-Canton 74th Dec., Gen.-B. & S. Laisang, Br. s s., 2,224, F. Wheeler, 15th Dec.,

-Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 8th Dec., Gen.-J., M. & Co.

Locksun, Ger. s.s., 1,020, W. Taubert, 22nd Dec.,-Bangkok 13th Dec., Rice and Gen. -B. & S. Mandal, Nor. s.s., 1,194, E. Ericksen, 25th

Dec -- Swatow 24th Dec. Aagaard, Thoresen & Co. Mandasan Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,246, Shimideu 22nd Dec. - Kutchinotzu itth Dec. Coal.

-M. B. K. Mathilde, Ger. s.s., 831, A. P. Ulderup, 24th -Dec .- Haiphong and Hoihow 23rd Dec.

Rice and Life Stock .- J. & Co. Minnesota, Am. s.s., 13,323, Chas. Austin, 24th Dec. Seattle via Ports 24th Nov., and Shanghai 21nd Dec., Gen .- N. Y. K. Nord, Br. s.s., 1,145, Prynn, 22nd Dec., -An-

ping 20th Dec., Ballast,-Mr. Geo. Mc-Prinz Waldemar, Ger. s.s., 1,737, W. von Senden, Ith Dec -- Sydney 17th Nov.

Gen.-M. & Co. Ragnar, Nor. s.s., 1,220, A. Augensen, 24th flec. - Wakamatin ('apan) 18th; Dec. Coal.-Aagaard, Thoresen & Co. Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,619, R. W. Almond, 21st Dec.,

-Manila 19th Dec., Gen.-S., T. & Co. Shaohsing, Br. s.s., 1,307, W. McIntosh, 25th Dec.,-Canton 24th Dec., Gen.-B. & S. ikh, Br. s.s. 2,23°, Wilkinson, 25th Dec.,-Yokohama and Dec., and Shanghai 22nd,

Gen .- D. & Co., I.d. Tean, Br. s.s., 1,346, Outerbridge, 15th Dec.,-Manila aand Dec., Gen .- U. & S. Yunnan, Br. s.s., 1,206, W. O. Jones, 25th Dec. -Canton 24th Dec., Gen.- C. M. S. N

SAILING VESSELS.

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Annie E. Smale, Am. 4-masted schr., 809, J. F. Colstrup, i3th Dec. Portland, Or. 8th Oct., Lumber. -- Mr. Jack.

Lyndhurst, Br. bark, Parnell, 14th Sept .- Bangkok 25th Aug., Case Oil -S. O Co. Takasaki Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,943, A. Mocker, Tarang, Br schooner, 87, Oliver, 7th Dec. Palau Island 15th Nov., Iron, -Mr. G. P. Lammert.

Ships Passed The Canal

10th November-Beniedt, Bulow, Glenavon, Soyo Maru. 13th November-Brass Simons, Menelaus, Telemachus, Inaba Maru, Kawachi Mars, Lilwania, 17th November-Brasilia, Oanfa, Zielen, Thesens: 20th November-Achilles, Caledonien, Carnarvonskire, 14th November-Derfflinger, Benvorlich, Sumatra, Sunda, Shimosa, 27th November-Suruga, Hitachi Moru, Alcinous, Prious, Ping Suey, Sanuki Maru, Silesta, (Got.) Yunnan, Bouselc, Scandia, Jumna, 11st December-Tranque bar, Soudan, Sumatra, Tonkin. 4th December - Bellerop ton, Monmouthshire, Polynesten, Ellen Richmers, Hyson, Nyansa, Silesia, (Aus.) Sth December Benjarie, Gienlschy, Indrens, Prins Ritel Friedrich, 11th December Suc. win, Kielel, Descallon, Sydary, Kamabura Maru, Liberta. 15th December-Andilasta. Persons, Monigomeryskirs, Awa Maru, 18th December Ganges, Idemenius, Pette, Glan street Tearent and December Bramer

Lutsow, Malta, Slavonia, Ville de la Ciotal, Dec. 17. Ghazet, Machaon, Prims Ludwig,

Arrivals at Home-tota November-Filetskire, Cathay, 13th November-Colombo Mark. 16th Nevember -- Banca, 17th November-Maskona, Premetheus, 19th November -Nors. 20th November-Ambria, Inaba Maru. 27th November-Caledonien, Indramayo, Vandalia, 1st December - Korwaerii, Zielen, 4th December-Achilles, Alcinous, Oanfa. Btb December-Brasilla, Play Sury, Hitachi Maru. 11th December - Tranquebar, Bellerophon, Polynesien, Princess Alice, Yun nan. 15th December-Hyron, Stlesta, (Ger.) 18th December-Liberia, Kleist, 19th December-Sumatra, 22nd December-Kamakura Maru.

Steamers Expected.

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DUCK RETURNS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMFOA DOCES, H.M.S. Virago at Kowlone Dock Prinz Waldemar Triumph H.M.S. Fame H.M.S. James Taranfa Locksun.... Haimun.....

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Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ld	516 buyers 583 buyers
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